

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting of the College Park City Council**  
**Tuesday, September 10, 2013**  
**7:30 p.m. – 8:26 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Andrew Fellows; Councilmembers Kabir, Wojahn, Catlin, Dennis, Stullich, Day and Mitchell.

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Afzali.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Robert Stumpff, Director of Public Works; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Catherine McGrath, Student Liaison.

Mayor Fellows opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Kabir led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Councilmember Stullich and seconded by Councilmember Day to approve the transcript in lieu of minutes for the Oral Argument in Case CPV-2013004, 4810 Nantucket Road, and to adopt the minutes of the Special Session on August 7, 2013 and the Regular Meeting on August 13, 2013. The motion passed 7 – 0 – 0.

**Announcements:** Councilmember Kabir said the North College Park Citizens Association would meet on Thursday, September 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Davis Hall.

Councilmember Wojahn announced that the City was approved as a sustainable city in the Sustainable Maryland Certified program.

Councilmember Catlin said the Berwyn District Civic Association would meet on Thursday, September 19 at 8:00 p.m. at Fealy Hall.

Councilmember Dennis announced the Lakeland Civic Association would meet on Thursday, September 12 at 7 p.m. at the College Park Community Center. He continued that the Lakeland Community Heritage Weekend was this coming Friday – Sunday and announced those events.

Councilmember Stullich announced her candidacy for reelection for District 3 Councilmember in the November 5 Municipal Election.

Councilmember Mitchell commented on the Sustainable Maryland Certified accomplishment.

**Amendments to the Agenda:** None.

**City Manager's Report:** Mr. Nagro announced the Public Works yard will be open on October 5 and October 12 for fall clean up. Paper shredding will be on October 12. He reminded Council to indicate their interest in the Philadelphia trip, and the MML Fall Conference. On Monday, September 16 at 3:00 p.m. there will be a press event announcing the expansion of the concurrent jurisdiction between the University of Maryland Police Department and the Prince George's County Police Department, and the expansion of the Code of Student Conduct off campus.

**Student Liaison's Report:** Catherine McGrath is the new student liaison. She is Junior Environmental Science and Communication double major. She discussed the Keep Me Maryland 5K fundraising event on October 6 at 9:00 a.m.

**Presentation:** Mayor Fellows introduced Dr. Andrea Goodwin who is the Director of the University of Maryland Office of Student Conduct. Her presentation was on the expansion of the jurisdiction of the Code of Student Conduct as a result of legislation passed in May 2013. She described the new policy and procedures to the Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** A motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Day to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following items:

- 13-R-18** Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Request for Certification of Non-Conforming Use CNU-2013-01 for College Park Homes, 7007, 7009, 7011, 7011a, 7013, 7015 and 7017 Fordham Court, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Approval of the Request for Certification of Non-Conforming Use.
- 13-R-19** Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Request for Certification of Non-Conforming Use CNU-2013-04 for College Park Homes, 6923 Carleton Terrace, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Approval of the Request for Certification of Non-Conforming Use.
- 13-G-96** Approval and ratification of Program Year 35 Community Development Block Grant Reprogrammed Application for the installation of pedestrian street lights in downtown College Park.
- 13-G-97** Approval of an Extension of the City Manager's Contract.
- 13-G-98** Approval of a Purchase from Johnson Truck Center for a 37,700 pound GVWR 2013 Freightliner M2 106 Chassis with a Dump body, a V-Box Salt Spreader and a Snow Plow in the amount of \$148,482.00.

The motion passed 7 – 0 – 0.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- 13-O-09** Adoption of 13-O-09, An Ordinance Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland, Amending Chapter 125 "Housing Regulations" By Repealing And Reenacting §125-8 "Maintenance Of Dwellings" To Require That Roofs Be Covered With Materials Designed For Use As A Permanent Roofing Surface

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wojahn and seconded by Councilmember Kabir to adopt Ordinance 13-O-09, An Ordinance Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland, Amending Chapter 125 “Housing Regulations” By Repealing And Reenacting §125-8 “Maintenance Of Dwellings” To Require That Roofs Be Covered With Materials Designed For Use As A Permanent Roofing Surface.**

Councilmember Wojahn said this is a technical change as a result of a particular incident where the City attempted to enforce its existing ordinance to require roof coverings to be weather-tight. This change specifies that a blue tarp does not meet that requirement and that roofs must be covered with materials that are designed to be used as roof coverings.

The public hearing was held earlier tonight so no further public comment will be taken at this time; comments received by e-mail are included in the red folders.

Clarification was requested to make sure this ordinance would not prohibit “green roofs” or solar panels placed on a roof. The City Attorney stated that we go by the building code and that a true “green roof” that would be approved for a building permit would be acceptable under this law, while little pine trees growing out of the gutter would not. We are trying to prevent temporary coverings from being left on the roof for long periods.

**The motion passed 7 – 0 – 0.**

**13-G-99      Approval of a Letter to WMATA with City Comments on Proposed Changes to the B30 Bus Route.**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wojahn and seconded by Councilmember Kabir to send a letter to WMATA to support increasing headways and lengthening service hours for the B30 Bus Route between the Greenbelt Metro station and BWI Airport.**

Councilmember Wojahn said this is an important service for residents in our City and right now the bus is often over-crowded and the current times for service don’t cover all of the times of air travel. We should support this increase in service.

**The motion passed 7 – 0 – 0.**

**13-CR-02      Introduction of 13-CR-02, A Charter Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland, Amending Article III “Mayor And Council”, §C3-4, “Compensation” Of The City Charter To Increase The Mayor’s Annual Salary To \$10,500.00 And Each Council Members’ Annual Salary To \$7,000.00, Effective January 1, 2014.**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Catlin and seconded by Councilmember Dennis to introduce Charter Amendment Resolution 13-CR-02, a Charter Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland, Amending Article III “Mayor And Council”, §C3-4, “Compensation” Of The City Charter To Increase The Mayor’s Annual**

**Salary To \$10,500.00 And Each Council Members' Annual Salary To \$7,000.00, Effective January 1, 2014.**

Councilmember Catlin announced that the Public Hearing is scheduled for October 8, 2013 at 7:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Mitchell requested two items be placed on the next Worksession agenda: City requests for next year's Park and Planning budget, and support for an advisory committee to take community input on the proposed redesign of the Hyattsville Library.

Councilmember Wojahn requested that College Park Meals on Wheels be placed on the approved charitable organization list so that they can use City facilities free of charge. Council concurred with the request. The Clerk will note the addition.

Mr. Nagro wanted to make sure that Council was OK with the plan made by the College Park Community Foundation and Clarice Smith Center for the Performing Arts to provide a flier in the fall resident packet. One side of the flier will advertise the College Park Community Foundation and the other side will advertise upcoming events at the Clarice Smith Center. Council agreed this was a good idea.

**ADJOURN: A motion was made by Councilmember Wojahn and seconded by Councilmember Dennis to adjourn the meeting. With a vote of 7 – 0 – 0, Mayor Fellows adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.**

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Janeen S. Miller, CMC  
City Clerk

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Date  
Approved

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Pursuant to §C6-3 of the College Park City Charter, at 10:44 p.m. on September 3, 2013, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, a motion was made by Councilmember Catlin and seconded by Councilmember Day to enter into an Executive Session for the following reasons:

C: Consider the acquisition or sale of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related to such acquisition or sale

D: Consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate in Prince George's County

G: Consult with Counsel on a Legal Matter

The motion passed 8 – 0 – 0 and after a brief recess the Closed Session convened at 10:51 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Andrew Fellows; Councilmembers Kabir, Wojahn, Catlin, Dennis, Day, Stullich, Afzali and Mitchell.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Joe Nagro, City Manager; Janeen Miller, City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Terry Schum, Director of Planning; Catherine McGrath, Student Liaison.

**Topics Discussed:** The City Attorney advised the City Council about legal issues related to an existing lease agreement. The Council discussed the possible transfer of City property, potential new development to be located in City, and possible development of the City Hall site. The City Attorney advised the Council about an ongoing enforcement issue, and about a request made by a developer relating to an approved DSP.

**Actions Taken:** None.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Councilmember Afzali and seconded by Councilmember Wojahn to adjourn the Executive Session, and with a vote of 6 – 0 – 0, Mayor Fellows adjourned the Executive Session at 11:23 p.m.

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